ABSTRACT

A method for stopping Internet viruses from spreading via Email and Email attachments which damage computer systems. This comprises a first routine that is inserted into the program which receives Email and Emil attachments that saves the first 64 bits of data (note: not to include the TCP/IP header) into a created header for this data and inserting binary zero into the first 64 bits, a second routine which ask the user if they would like to replace the first 64 bits of data, and a third routine that insures the first 64 bits of data are restored if the Email or Email attachment is being forwarded.